that time I was periodically travelling 100 miles or so along all the roads radiating from Senna and I saw partridges in all directions

though never many.

On one occasion I shot one bird out of a good sized covey on top of a 7,000 ft. pass about 80-90 miles west of Senna—well above the Chukor line. Senna itself was about 4,500 ft. to the best of my recollection.

There is no doubt that the Common Partridge is fairly common all over that area, as my observations were mostly made from the road and there must have been many more in the less disturbed

places.'

I hope the above further information regarding the occurrence of the Common Partridge in Persia and its distribution will be of interest.

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July 2, 1943.

VII.—DESCRIPTION OF CHICK, IN DOWN, OF THE SIMLA HILL PARTRIDGE (ARBOROPHILA TORQUEOLA MILLARDI).

As this stage of the above does not appear to have been described it may not be out of place to describe one which came into my possession this year. It was taken on May 30th when it was not more than a day old.

Description.—A broad band of chestnut base of bill (where it is pinched in near) to the nape where it is 12.5 mm.; a broad buff supercilium extending down the side of the neck. A blackish brown streak from posterior corner of the eye, broadening out over

the ear coverts.

Back, to extremity of body, dark brown mottled lightly with red brown.

. Side of body, including wing, mottled dark and lighter red brown.

Chin and throat pale buff. A band across breast dark brown mottled with buff and grey which also spreads along the flanks. Abdomen pale buff.

Bill: upper and lower mandibles yellow except across the nostrils where it is horn. Legs and feet dusky yellow. Iris deep reddish brown.

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July 28, 1943.